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WATER SUPPLY OUTLOOK FOR ARIZONA



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ARIZONA WATER COMMISSION

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TO RECIPIENTS OF WATER SUPPLY OUTLOOK REPORTS:

Most of the usable water in western states originates as mountain snowfall. This snowfall accumulates during the winter and spring, several months before the snow melts and appears as streamflow. Since the runoff from precipitation as snow is delayed, estimates of snowmelt runoff can be made well in advance of its occurrence. Streamflow forecasts published in this report are based principally on measurement of the water equivalent of the mountain snowpack.

Forecasts become more accurate as more of the data affecting runoff are measured. All forecasts assume that climatic factors during the remainder of the snow accumulation and melt season will interact with a resultant average effect on runoff. Early season forecasts are therefore subject to a greater change than those made on later dates.

The snow course measurement is obtained by sampling snow depth and water equivalent at surveyed and marked locations in mountain areas. A total of about ten samples are taken at each location. The average of these are reported as snow depth and water equivalent. These measurements are repeated in the same location near the same dates each year.

Snow surveys are made monthly or semi-monthly from January 1 through June 1 in most states. There are about 1900 snow courses in Western United States and in the Columbia Basin in British Columbia. Networks of automatic snow water equivalent and related data sensing devices, along with radio telemetry are expanding and will provide a continuous record of snow water and other parameters at key locations.

Detailed data on snow course and soil moisture measurements are presented in state and local reports. Other data on reservoir storage, summaries of precipitation, current streamflow, and soil moisture conditions at valley elevations are also included. The report for Western United States presents a broad picture of water supply outlook conditions, including selected streamflow forecasts, summary of snow accumulation to date, and storage in larger reservoirs.

Snow survey and soil moisture data for the period of record are published by the Soil Conservation Service by states about every five years. Data for the current year is summarized in a West-wide basic data summary and published about October 1 of each year.

COVER PHOTO: SURVEYOR ENROUTE TO THE MT. BALDY ARIZONA SNOW COURSE

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PUBLISHED BY SOIL CONSERVATION SERVICE

The Soil Conservation Service publishes reports following the principal snow survey dates from January 1 through June 1 in cooperation with state water administrators, agricultural experiment stations and others. Copies of the reports for Western United States and all state reports may be obtained from Soil Conservation Service, West Technical Service Center, Room 111, 511 N.W. Broadway, Portland, Oregon 97209.

Copies of state and local reports may also be obtained from state offices of the Soil Conservation Service in the following states:

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PUBLISHED BY OTHER AGENCIES

Water Supply Outlook reports prepared by other agencies include a report for California by the Water Supply Forecast and Snow Surveys Unit, California Department of Water Resources, P. O. Box 388, Sacramento, California 95802 --- and for British Columbia by the Department of Lands, Forests and Water Resources, Water Resources Service, Parliament Building, Victoria, British Columbia

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ARIZONA SUMMARY
as of
APRIL 1, 1976

NEAR NORMAL WATER SUPPLIES ARE PREDICTED FOR MOST OF ARIZONA THIS YEAR. RESERVOIR STORAGE IS CLOSE TO AVERAGE, BUT RUNOFF IS EXPECTED TO BE SLIGHTLY BELOW AVERAGE.

SNOW COVER

The warm temperatures and absence of significant precipitation has reduced snow cover on all major watersheds. The higher elevations of the White Mountains, however, did receive 10 to 20" of new snow just before the end of the month, but the lighter snowfall below 8,000' was virtually melted in three days. Above average snow pack does exist at many of the higher elevation snow courses such as Mormon Mountain Summit with 51" depth and 22" water equivalent; Baker Butte #2, 46" and 19"; Promontory Butte, 38" and 14.6"; Baldy, 26" and 7.6"; and Hannagan Meadows, 26" and 9.2".

PRECIPITATION

Except for the White Mountains and western New Mexico, precipitation for the second half of March was very light. Many stations on the Verde and Tonto Watersheds reported less than 0.1" of precipitation. One to 2" occurred in the White and Mogollon Mountains at the higher elevations.

SOIL MOISTURE

Surface soils have experienced considerable drying below the snow line, but soil moisture is good at the higher elevations. Additional storms will yield well from the higher elevations, but poorly from the lower elevations.

RESERVOIR STORAGE

Salt River Project reservoirs, containing 63% of capacity, are slightly above normal for this date. San Carlos and Lake Pleasant contain 53% and 78% of average respectively. Most other reservoirs are close to capacity.

STREAMFLOW AND WATER SUPPLY

March streamflow was much below average on all streams due to the early high runoff in February and absence of good storms in March.

Streamflow for the April-May period is predicted to be 75% to 80% of the 1958-72 15-year average. This is much less than that received last year, but well above the long-term median.

Water supplies should be adequate for most of Arizona this year. Considerable pumping will be required, however, on the San Carlos Project and in the upper Gila Valley.

THIS IS THE LAST REPORT FOR 1976.

| STREAMFLOW FORECASTS ABOUT APRIL 1 1976 | | THIS YEAF | * | PAST F | RECORD | |
|---|-----------------------|-----------------------|---------------------------------|--------------------|-------------------|--|
| 1970 | FORE | CAST | FORECAST | THOUSAND ACRE FEET | | |
| BASIN, STREAM and/or FORECAST POINT | Thousand Acre Feet | Percent of Average | FORECAST PERIOD | Last Year | Average + | |
| SALT RIVER DRAINAGE Salt near Roosevelt | 105 73 | 74 74 ₂ | Apr-May April | 271.9 168.8 | 142.6 99.3 | |
| Tonto Creek near Roosevelt | 4 3 | 48 43 | Apr-May April | 26.3 23.5 | 8.4 7.0 | |
| Verde River above Horseshoe | 42 32 | 78 73 | Apr-May April | 93.2 79.4 | 54.0 43.9 | |
| Total Salt River Project Streams | 151 108 | 74 72 | Apr-May April | 391.4 271.7 | 205.0 150.2 | |
| GILA RIVER DRAINAGE Gila River at Calva | 11 | 46 | Apr-May | 33.8 | 23.5 | |
| Gila River near Gila | 18 | 90 | Apr-May | 37.2 | 20.0 | |
| Gila River near Solomon | 36 27 | 81 84 | Apr-May April | 75.0 52.9 | 44.3 31.8 | |
| Gila River near Virden | 20 | 87 | Apr-May | 40.2 | 22.8 | |
| Frisco River at Clifton | 18 | 76 | Apr-May | 35.2 | 23.6 | |
| Frisco River at Glenwood | 8 | 74 | Apr-May | 19.9 | 10.7 | |
| LITTLE COLORADO RIVER DRAINAGE Little Colo. River above Lyman Dam Lake Mary Inflow Little Colo. River at Greer 1/ | 4.2 .6 | 54 40 79 | Apr-June Mar-May Apr-June | 11.8 2.6 | 7.8 1.5 5.7 | |
| GRANITE CREEK DRAINAGE Granite Creek | . 2 | | Apr-May | | | |
| Willow Creek | .1 | | Apr-May | | | |
| MIMBRES RIVER DRAINAGE Mimbres River near Mimbres | 1.3 | 81 | Apr-May | 4.3 | 1.6 | |
| COLORADO RIVER DRAINAGE Virgin River nr. Littlefield | 42 | 97 | Apr-June | 22.5 | 43.2 | |
| Colorado - Lake Powell Inflow | 7,203 | 105 | Apr-July | 10,407 | | |
| 1/ Corrected for Filler Ditch Dive 1958-72. (*) Average is for l | síon. ss than | Based 15 year | on the 15- s. | year per | iod, | |

+ 1958-1972 period.

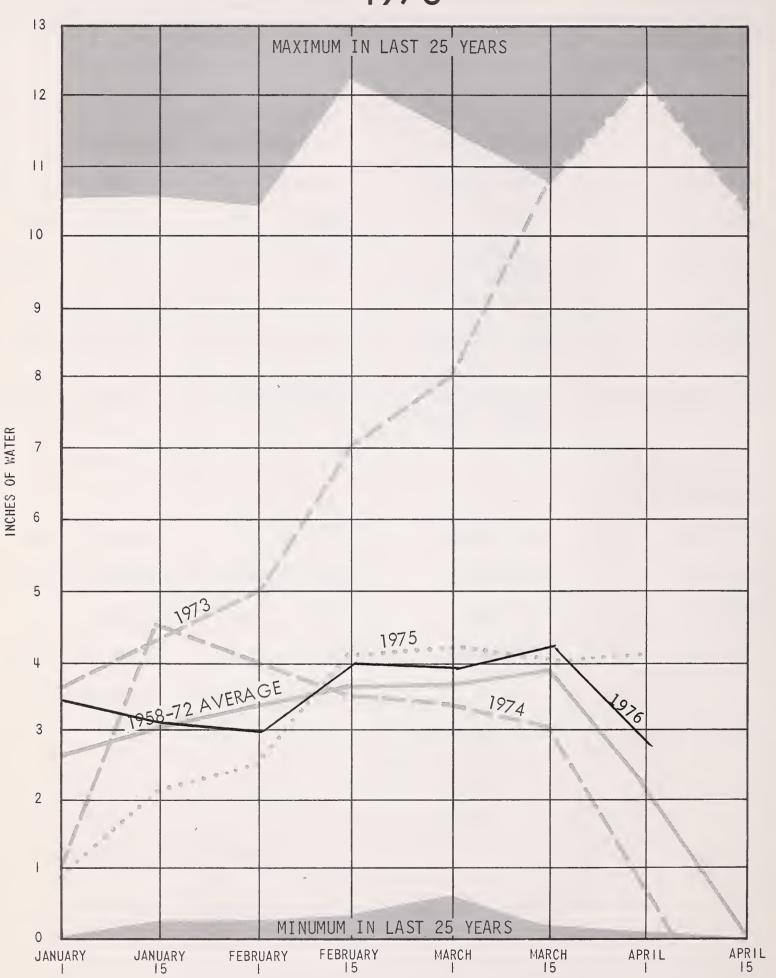
ABOUT APRIL 1, 1976

RESERVOIR STORAGE (Thousand Acre Feet) END OF MONTH

| BASIN or STREAM | RESERVOIR | Usable Capacity | This Year | Usable Storage Last Year | Average + |
|----------------------------|---|--------------------|-----------|---------------------------|-----------|
| GILA RIVER | | | | 2401.03 | |
| DRAINAGE | | | | | |
| Agua Fria | Lake Pleasant | 157.6 | 49.0 | 53.2 | 62.3 |
| Granite | Watson Lake | 4.7 | 4.5 | 1.8 | 3.5 |
| Granite | Willow Creek | 6.1 | 2.4 | 0.9 | 3.0 |
| Gila | San Carlos | 1,093 | 106.3 | 241.5 | 199.7 |
| Salt (4) | Roosevelt, Apache, Canyon & Saguaro | 1,755 | 1168.3 | 1,159 | 1,145 |
| Verde (2) | Bartlett and Horseshoe | 317.7 | 135.8 | 79.9 | 158.2 |
| Salt and Verde | 6 Salt River Project Reser- voirs | 2,073 | 1304.0 | 1,239 | 1,303 |
| COLORADO RIVER DRAINAGE | | | | | |
| Colorado | Lake Havasu | 619.4 | 553.9 | 554.1 | 555.4 |
| Colorado | Lake Mohave | 1,810 | 1654.7 | 1,604 | 1,675 |
| Colorado | Lake Mead | 26,159 | 20,307 | 19,764 | 16,927 |
| Colorado | Lake Powell | 25,002 | 19,737 | 17,294 | 7,352 |
| Little Colorado | Lyman | 30.6 | 21.6 | 14.0 | 15.0 |
| Little Colorado | Show Low Lake | 5.1 | 1.2 | 5.1 | 2.4 |
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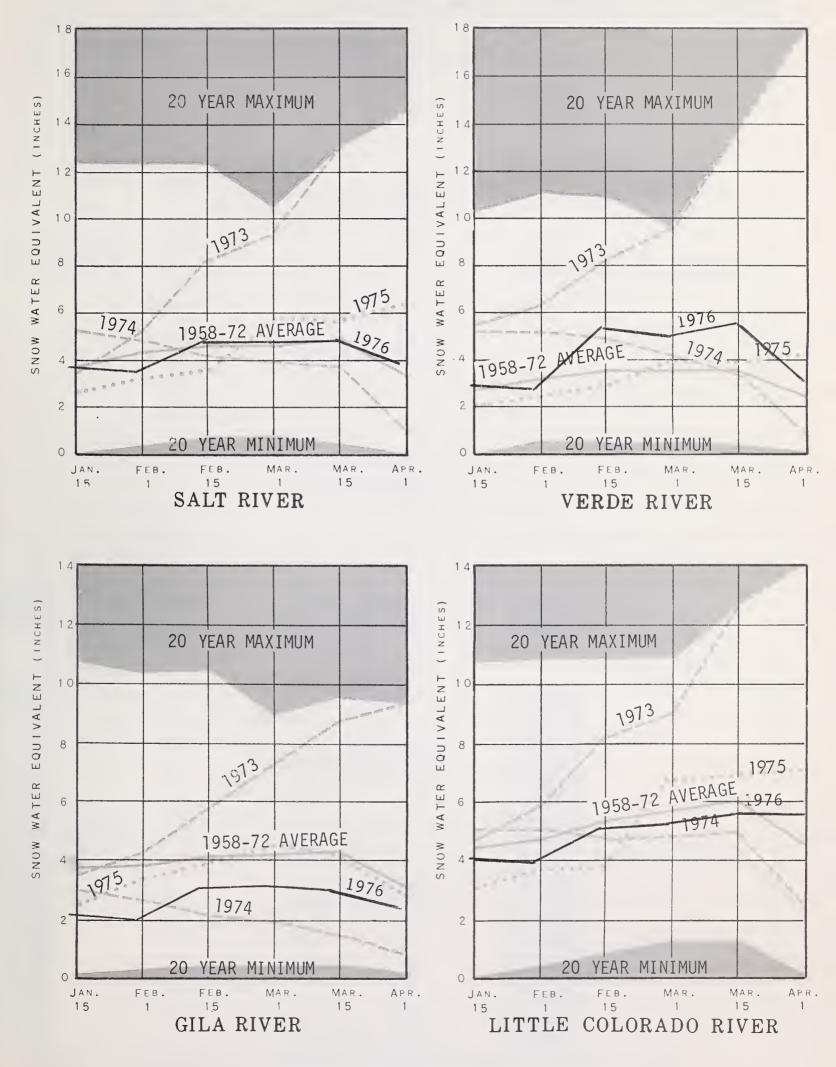
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AVERAGE SNOW COVER ARIZONA 1976



This graph represents the average snow water content on eleven selected snow courses on Arizona Sub-Watersheds.

1976 WATERSHED SNOW COVER



SUMMARY OF SNOW MEASUREMENTS (COMPARISON WITH PREVIOUS YEARS)

ABOUT APRIL 1, 1976

| RIVER BASIN and/or SUB-WATERSHED | Number of Courses Averaged | THIS YEAR'S SNOW WATER AS PERCENT OF: Last Year Average | | | |
|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|--|-----|--|--|
| Gila | 10 | 69 | | | |
| Salt | 10 | | 83 | | |
| Verde | | 68 | 108 | | |
| | 10 | 68 | 110 | | |
| Little Colorado | 5 | 72 | 120 | | |
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WATER SUPPLY INVENTORY SALT RIVER VALLEY SYSTEM

IN ACRE-FEET
APRIL 1, 1976

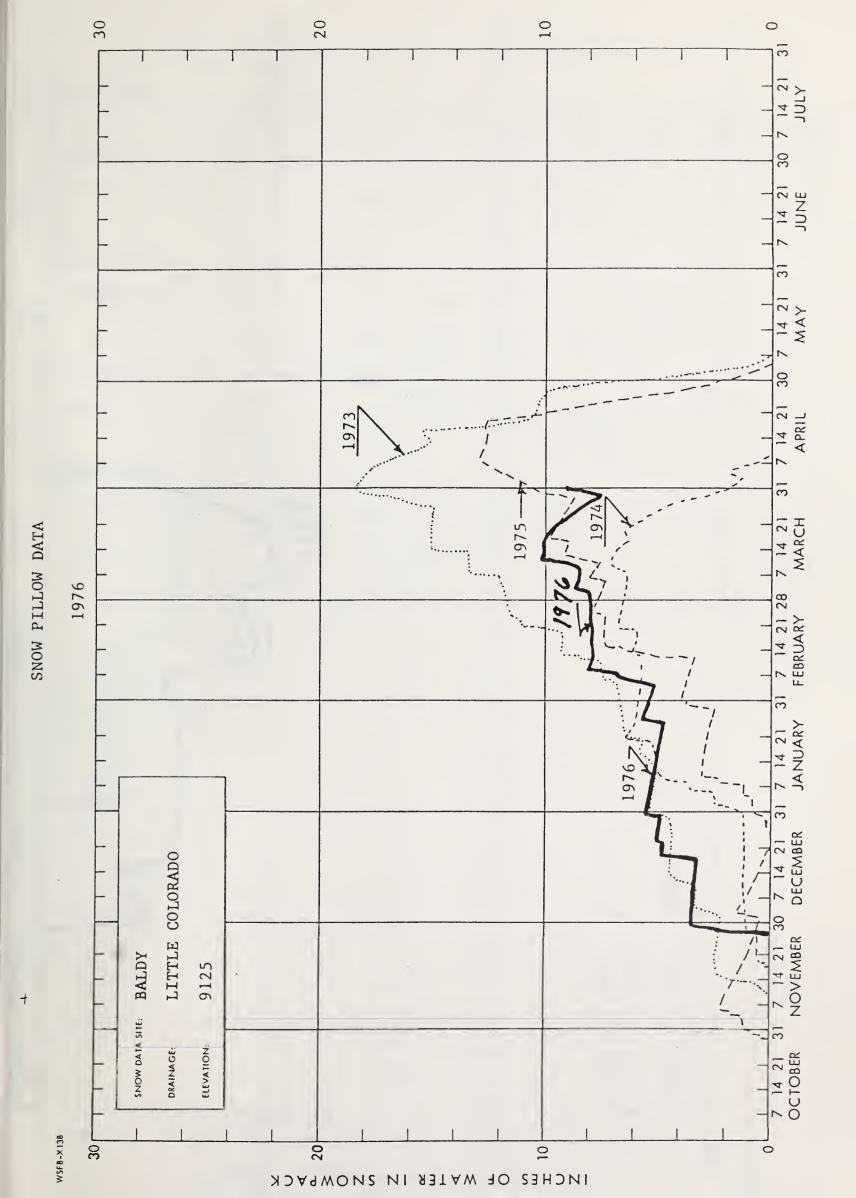
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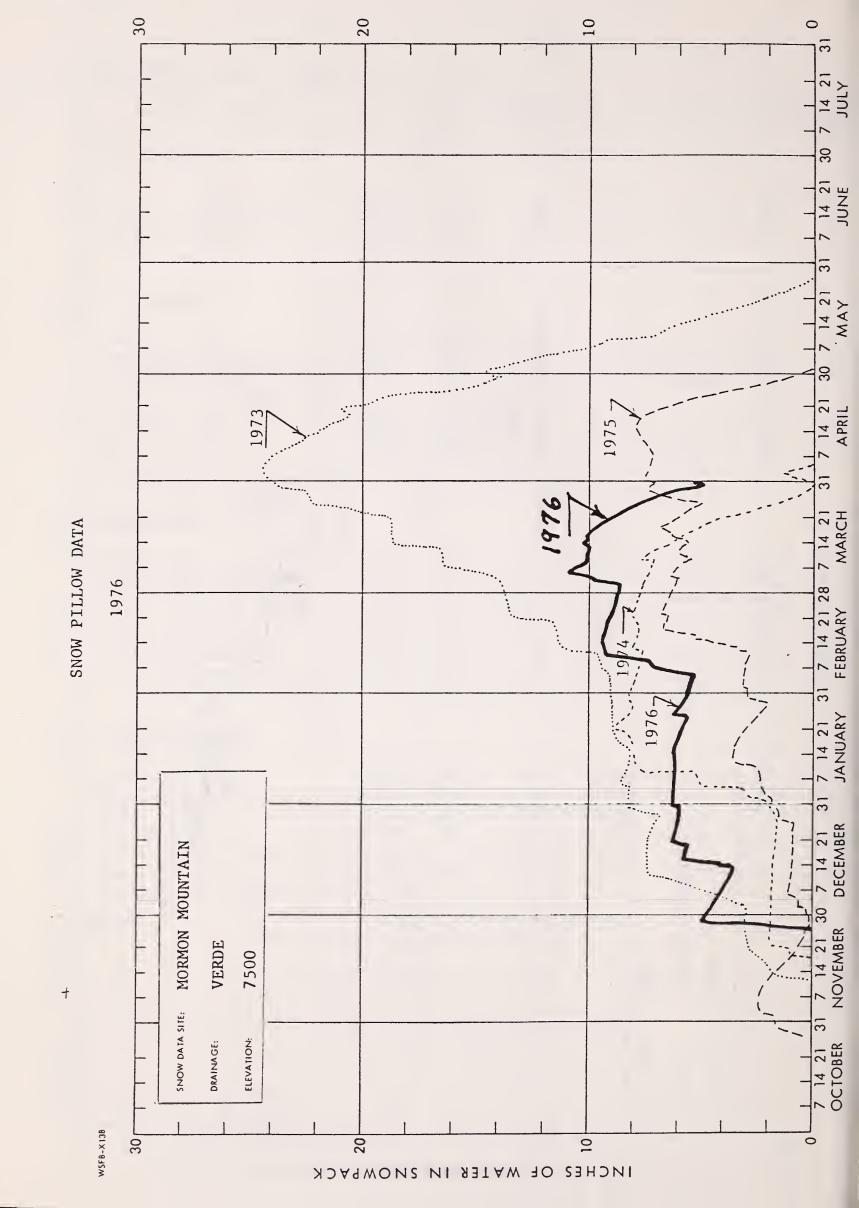
| SNOW ABOUT APRIL 1, 1976 | | | THIS YEAR | PAST RECORD | | |
|--|-----------------------|-------------------|------------------------------------|---------------------|------------------------|-----------|
| DRAINAGE BASIN and/or SNOW COURSE | | Date | Date Snow Depth of Survey (Inches) | | Water Content (inches) | |
| NAME | Elevation | 01 Sulvey | (mones) | (Inches) | Last Year | Average + |
| GILA RIVER | 0.100 | 2/21 | | 0.0 | 2.4 | 2.9 |
| Bear Wallow | 8100 | 3/31 | 0 | 0.0 | 1.5 | 1.7 |
| Beaver Head | 8000 | 3/31 | 6 | 0.7 | 0.4 | 0.7 |
| Coronado Trail | 8000 | 3/31 | 4 | 0.7 | | 0.0** |
| Emory Pass #1 * | 7800 | 3/31 | 0 | 0.0 | 0.1 | |
| Emory Pass #2 * | 7800 | 3/31 | 0 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 0.0** |
| Frisco Divide | 8000 | 3/31 | 4 | 0.6 | 0.9 | 0.6 |
| Hannagan Meadows * | 9090 | 3/31 | 26 | 9.1 | 11.3 | 8.0** |
| Hummingbird (A) | 10550 | 4/1 | 45 | 14.0 | 21.8 | 15.1** |
| McKnight Cabin * (A) | 9300 | | | | 6.3 | |
| Mogollon | 7000 | 3/30 | 0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Nutrioso | 8500 | 3/31 | 2 | 0.3 | 1.8 | 0.5 |
| Redstone Trail | 8600 | 3/30 | 17 | 5.1 | 8.5 | 7.0** |
| Rose Canyon | 7300 | 3/31 | 0 | 0.0 | 1.4 | 0.5 |
| Silver Creek Divide | 9000 | 3/30 | 28 | 8.4 | 12.3 | 11.5* |
| State Line | 8000 | 3/31 | 4 | 0.6 | 0.3 | 0.6 |
| Whitewater (A) | 10750 | 3/31 | 64 | 17.9 | 27.8 | 20.2** |
| VERDE RIVER | | | | | | |
| Baker Butte | 7300 | 3/30 | 10 | 4.5 | 4.7 | 3.6* |
| Baker Butte #2 | 7700 | 3/30 | 46 | 19.0 | 15.9 | |
| Camp Wood | 5700 | 3/31 | 0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.1 |
| Chalender * | 7100 | 3/31 | 0 | 0.0 | 1.7 | 1.0 |
| Copper Basin Divide | 6720 | 4/1 | 0 | 0.0 | 0.2 | 0.0* |
| Fort Valley | 7350 | 3/31 | 0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 1.1 |
| Gaddes Canyon | 7600 | 3/28 | 14 | 5.3 | 5.8 | 3.6 |
| Happy Jack | 7630 | 3/31 | 1 | 0.4 | 2.9 | 1.4 |
| Iron Springs * | 6200 | 4/1 | 0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.1 |
| Mingus Mountain | 7100 | 3/28 | 0 | 0.0 | 0.7 | 0.1 |
| Mormon Lake * | 7350 | 3/31 | 5 | 1.9 | 3.6 | 1.7 |
| Mormon Mountain | 7500 | 3/31 | 12 | 5.2 | 7.2 | 3.0 |
| Newman Park | 6750 | 3/31 | 0 | 0.0 | 0.6 | 0.6* |
| Snow Bowl #1 | 10260 | 3/31 | 33 | 11.2 | 15.0 | 10.3* |
| Snow Bowl #2 | 11000 | 3/31 | 52 | 17.2 | 20.8 | 19.5* |
| White Horse Lake Jct. | 7150 | 3/31 | 0 | 0.0 | 2.3 | 1.2* |
| White Spar | 6000 | 4/1 | 0 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 0.0* |
| LOWER COLORADO RIVER | | | | | | |
| Bill Williams Intermediate | 8550 | 3/31 | 29 | 11.8 | 10.5 | 6.3* |
| Bill Williams Summit | 8950 | 3/31 | 44 | 15.9 | 14.4 | 9.3* |
| Chalender * | 7100 | 3/31 | 0 | 0.0 | 1.7 | 1.0 |
| Fort Valley | 7350 | 3/31 | 0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 1.1 |
| Grand Canyon | 7500 | 3/31 | 0 | 0.0 | 1.6 | 0.6 |
| Williams Ski Run | 7720 | 3/31 | 32 | 12.2 | 10.8 | 5.8* |
| † 1958-72 15-year period. Average. (A) Aerial obs | (*) Adja ervation: | cent dra water | inage. content | (**) 19 estimate | 58-72 Ad | justed |
| Average. (A) Aeriai oos | envancon. | water | concent | esimme | | |

| Baldy * Beaver Head Canyon Creek Canyon Point Coronado Trail Forest Dale Ft. Apache Hannagan Meadows | 9125 8000 7500 7600 8000 6430 | 3/31 3/31 3/30 3/30 | Snow Depth (Inches) 26 6 5 | 7.6 1.0 1.3 | Last Year 10.3 1.5 | Average 6.2 1.7 |
|--|---|--|--|---|---|--|
| SALT RIVER Baldy * Beaver Head Canyon Creek Canyon Point Coronado Trail Forest Dale Ft. Apache Hannagan Meadows | 9125 8000 7500 7600 8000 | 3/31 3/30 3/30 | 6 5 | 1.0 | 10.3 | 6.2 |
| Baldy * Beaver Head Canyon Creek Canyon Point Coronado Trail Forest Dale Ft. Apache Hannagan Meadows | 8000 7500 7600 8000 | 3/31 3/30 3/30 | 6 5 | 1.0 | 1.5 | |
| Beaver Head Canyon Creek Canyon Point Coronado Trail Forest Dale Ft. Apache Hannagan Meadows | 8000 7500 7600 8000 | 3/31 3/30 3/30 | 6 5 | 1.0 | 1.5 | |
| Beaver Head Canyon Creek Canyon Point Coronado Trail Forest Dale Ft. Apache Hannagan Meadows | 7500 7600 8000 | 3/31 3/30 3/30 | 6 5 | 1.0 | 1.5 | |
| Canyon Creek Canyon Point Coronado Trail Forest Dale Ft. Apache Hannagan Meadows | 7500 7600 8000 | 3/30 3/30 | 5 | | | |
| Canyon Point Coronado Trail Forest Dale Ft. Apache Hannagan Meadows | 7600 8000 | 3/30 | | | 4.4 | 1.3 |
| Coronado Trail Forest Dale Ft. Apache Hannagan Meadows | 8000 | | /. | 0.9 | 4.2 | 1.2 |
| Forest Dale Ft. Apache Hannagan Meadows | | | 4 | | | |
| Ft. Apache Hannagan Meadows | 0430 | 3/31 | 4 | 0.7 | 0.4 | 0.7 |
| Hannagan Meadows | 0160 | 3/31 | 0 | 0.0 | 0.4 | 0.0 |
| _ | 9160 | 3/31 | 26 | 7.3 | 10.4 | 6.3 |
| MOTAL OTT Ola - | 9090 | 3/31 | 26 | 9.2 | 11.3 | 8.0 |
| Hawley Lake | 8300 | 3/31 | 24 | 8.4 | 8.8 | 3.6 |
| Heber | 7600 | 3/30 | 5 | 1.4 | 3.9 | 1.5 |
| Maverick Fork | 9050 | 3/31 | 34 | 9.9 | 12.8 | 7.5 |
| McNary | 7200 | 3/31 | 4 | 0.9 | 1.0 | 0.4 |
| Milk Ranch | 7000 | 3/31 | 0 | 0.0 | 0.6 | 0.1 |
| Mt. Ord (A) | 11000 | REPORT | DELAYED | | 32.5 | 26.4 |
| Nutrioso * | 8500 | 3/31 | 2 | 0.3 | 1.8 | 0.5 |
| Promontory Butte | 7930 | 3/30 | 38 | 14.6 | 16.6 | |
| Smith Cienega (A) | 9850 | | DELAYED | 11.0 | 27.2 | 19.8 |
| Sunrise Summit | 10600 | 3/30 | 63 | 17.4 | 19.7 | |
| Wilson Lake | 9000 | 3/30 | 41 | 10.8 | 13.8 | 9.0 |
| Workman Creek | 6900 | 3/28 | 0 | 0.0 | 2.8 | 2.8 |
| Cheese Springs Forest Dale Ft. Apache Fort Valley Happy Jack * Heber Inner Basin #1 Inner Basin #2 Lake Mary McNary Mormon Lake Mormon Mountain Nutrioso * Promontory Butte Snow Bowl #1 | 8600 6430 9160 7350 7630 7600 10100 9750 6970 7200 7350 7500 8500 7930 | 3/30 3/31 3/31 3/31 3/30 3/30 3/30 3/31 3/31 | 23 0 26 0 1 5 57 40 0 4 5 12 2 38 | 4.7 0.0 7.3 0.0 0.4 1.4 20.9 14.2 0.0 0.9 1.9 5.2 0.3 14.6 | 8.5 0.4 10.4 0.0 2.9 3.9 20.4 12.5 1.0 3.6 7.2 1.8 16.6 | 7.4 0.0 6.3 1.1 1.4 1.5 17.3 10.2 0.4 1.7 3.0 0.5 |
| Snow Bowl #1 | 10260 11000 | 3/31 | 33 52 | 11.2 17.2 | 15.0 20.8 | 19.5 |
| Wilson Lake | 9000 | 3/31 | 41 | 10.8 | 13.8 | 9.0 |
| Mormon Mt. Summit #2 | 8470 | | | | 1 | 9.0 |
| | | 3/31 | 51 | 21.0 | 16.7 | |
| Agassiz (A) | 11200 | 3/30 | 67 | 22.1 | 25.1 | |

| OW DELAYED REPORTS | | | THIS YEAR | | PAST RECORD Water Content (inches) | |
|-----------------------------------|-----------|-------------------|------------------------|---------------------------|-------------------------------------|---------|
| DRAINAGE BASIN and/or SNOW COURSE | Elevation | Date of Survey | Snow Depth (Inches) | Water Content (Inches) | Water Conte | Average |
| NAME | Elevation | | 1 | | Eust / cu | Average |
| | | | | | | |
| Agassiz | 11200 | 1/13 | 27 | 7.8 | | |
| gassiz | 11200 | 2/1 | 25 | 8.0 | 11.3 | |
| gassiz | 11200 | 3/1 | 60 | 18.0 | 15.1 | |
| gassiz | 11200 | 3/16 | 72 | 21.9 | | |
| nner Basin #1 | 10000 | 2/1 | 26 | 8.2 | 9.6 | |
| nner Basin #1 | 10000 | 3/1 | 52 | 17.5 | 13.7 | |
| nner Basin #2 | 9750 | 2/1 | 18 | 6.0 | 5.5 | |
| nner Basin #2 | 9750 | 3/1 | 40 | 12.0 | 7.5 | |
| formon Mountain Summit #2 | 8470 | 3/1 | 58 | 17.0 | 11.5 | |
| ount Ord | 11200 | 3/5 | 75 | 20.2 | | |
| mith Cienega | 10050 | 3/5 | 50 | 15.0 | | |
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PRECIPITATION (Inches) ABOUT APRIL 1, 1976 CURRENT INFORMATION FROM APPROX. NOV. I TO DATE DRAINAGE BASIN and ELEVATION Percent of Date of Month's PRECIPITATION GAGE LOCATION Average T Average This Year Precipitation Reading Average GILA RIVER 14.23* 9000 2.41* 12.55 88 3/30 2.40 Silver Creek Divide 2.21 12.80 Hannagan Meadows ** 9030 3/31 2.90 12.00 94 Frisco Divide ** 8000 3/31 1.75 7.34 SALT RIVER 17.17* 107 3/30 3.22 3.67* 18.53 7600 Canyon Point 2.21 12.00 12.80 94 2.90 9030 3/31 Hannagan Meadows ** 2.96 17.49 14.46 121 3/30 3.07 Little Wildcat 7600 (Heber Snow Course) 2.24 14.34 12.26 117 3/31 3.31 9050 Maverick Fork 2.86 3.00 18.93 17.28 110 6970 3/28 Workman Creek ** 13.17 12.99* 101 9100 3/293.58 2.50* Wilson Lake VERDE RIVER 3.37* 19.53 17.32* 113 3.31 7300 3/30 Baker Butte 11.52* 122 2.43* 14.07 3/31 1.62 6720 Copper Basin Divide 9.08 95 2.06 8.65 3/31 1.70 Fort Valley ** 7350 2.27 13.16 $\Pi.37$ 116 3/31 2.90 Happy Jack ** 7480 9.99 2.13 120 12.07 7660 3/28 1.80 Mingus Mountain 3.03* 16.17* 20.39 126 7500 3/31 3.75 Mormon Mountain 14.84 7150 2.10 White Horse Lake Jct.** 3/31 LITTLE COLORADO 15.84 9830 3.01 17.35 110 3/30 3.50 Inner Basin #1 18.16 10050 3.49 20.42 112 3/30 4.30 Inner Basin #2 7.13 1.15 6.55 92 8500 1.80 Greer Lakes 3/31 14.46 2.96 17.49 121 7600 3/30 3.07 Little Wildcat (Heber Snow Course) 11.90 104 3.24 2.23 12.37 9125 3/31 Sheep Crossing (Baldy Snow Course) 1958-72 Average Adjusted Average Data Supplied by U.S. Forest Service





ABOUT APRIL 1, 1976

SOIL MOISTURE

| DRAINAGE BASIN and/or STATION | | | e (Inches) | Date of | | il Moisture (In | |
|-------------------------------|-----------|-------|------------|---------|--------------|-----------------|----------------|
| Name | Elevation | Depth | Capacity | Survey | This Year | Last Year | Average † |
| GILA RIVER Frisco Divide | 8000 | 48 | 13.3 | 2/21 | 1000 | 1/. 6 | 11.6 |
| SALT RIVER | | .0 | , | 3/31 | 12.2 | 14.6 | 11.6 |
| | | | | | | | |
| Black River Divide | 9100 | 48 | 16.8 | 3/31 | 18.0 | 18.4 | 16.9 |
| Canyon Creek | 7500 | 48 | 18.3 | 3/30 | 19.5 | 18.6 | 16.1 |
| Corduroy Creek | 6000 | 36 | 13.5 | 3/31 | 14.9 | 14.9 | 10.4 |
| McNary | 7200 | 48 | 16.3 | 3/30 | 17.9 | 17.9 | 16.1 |
| VERDE RIVER | | | | | | | |
| Mormon Mountain | 7500 | 48 | 16.1 | 3/31 | 17.8 | 17.8 | 16.9 |
| Newman Park | 6750 | 48 | 17.7 | 3/31 | 19.5 | 19.3 | 19.4 |
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